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FOR THE AMBASSADOR

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: OVIP (CARTER, JIMMY)

SUBJECT: THE PRESIDENT'S TRIP--ARRANGING A PROGRAM FOR
MR. JESSIE HILL

1. AS YOU ARE AWARE, JESSIE HILL, THE PRESIDENT OF THE
ATLANTA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL
BOARD OF THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, WILL BE A MEMBER OF THE
OFFICIAL PARTY AND WILL TRAVEL TO NIGERIA AND LIBERIA WITH
THE PRESIDENT.

2. WE WANT TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF MR. HILL'S STAY TO
FURTHER EXCHANGES WITH THE NIGERIANS ON SUBJECTS OF MUTUAL
ECONOMIC INTEREST. MR. HILL IS PREPARED TO MEET WITH
NIGERIANS TO DISCUSS U.S./NIGERIAN ECONOMIC INTERESTS.

3. WOULD YOU PREPARE A PROGRAM WHICH WOULD TAKE ADVANTAGE
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OF MR. HILL'S PRESENCE. WE HAVE IN MIND MEETINGS WITH THE
LEADERSHIP OF THE NIGERIAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND THE
NIGERIAN AND AMERICAN CHAMBER. IT WOULD ALSO BE USEFUL
FOR MR. HILL TO HAVE A CHANCE TO MEET WITH A SENIOR
ECONOMIC OFFICIAL IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND
THE COMMISSIONERS OF FINANCE, INDUSTRY, TRADE AND ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT.

4. MR. HILL WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK TO A STUDENT/FACULTY AUDIENCE IN MANAGEMENT AND BUSINESS FACULTIES. THE SPRING VACATION MAY INTERFERE, BUT WE WOULD WELCOME YOUR SUGGESTIONS ON ALTERNATIVE FORA WHICH MR. HILL COULD ADDRESS; PERHAPS ONE OF THE LOCAL CHAMBERS COULD PUT TOGETHER AN AUDIENCE.

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